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A special year for Sudbury on Show as event founder Andrew Phillips OBE is remembered.

Saturday 23rd March 2024

Andrew Phillips Memorial Plaque unveiling and speeches. **9am** At the entrance to Sudbury Library, Market Hill, CO10 2EN

Followed by:

The opening of Sudbury on Show 2024 with The Mayor of Sudbury. 9.50am At Sudbury Arts Centre (St. Peter's), Market Hill, CO10 2EA Sudbury on Show 2024 open to public 10am – 3pm All are welcome to attend both events, entrance is free. A free Sudbury on Show Guide will be available at the event with information on exhibiting organisations.

Event webpage: sudbury-tc.gov.uk/sudbury-on-show

Event founded by the late Andrew Phillips OBE, organised by Sudbury Town Council. In 2024, Sudbury on Show has been in collaborative effort with the team at Sudbury Arts Centre.

About Sudbury on Show

Founded by the late, great Andrew Phillips, OBE - Sudbury on Show is a biennial celebration of the many community organisations that make our town unique. Passionate local people, from all walks of life, generously donate their time to running a range of vital community organisations - from gardening groups, sports clubs, community cafes, keep fit classes, to local history & heritage associations.

The event is an excellent opportunity for Sudbury residents to find opportunities to get more involved with their local community.





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This year's event is made even more poignant following the passing of Sudbury on Show's Founder, Andrew Phillips, OBE in 2023.

The reasons for the event being founded were eloquently put by the late Andrew Phillips, OBE (1939 – 2023) at the last Sudbury on Show event in 2022:

"We live in challenging times! Driven by the assumption that 'bigger is better' the overlooked reality is that contentment and fulfilment mostly depend on a sense of belonging and a communal life rich in relationships, otherwise people tend to feel lonely – even anonymous.

'Sudbury on Show' is a chance for us all to celebrate the many great things still going on in our wonderful town and district. Above all we hope it encourages people to get involved and so contribute to our general wellbeing."

The Mayor of Sudbury, Cllr Jan Osborne comments:

"Sudbury on Show is a great opportunity to display and celebrate many of the Town's community organisations that make Sudbury unique. Sudbury on Show is a chance to celebrate the many great things going on in our town.

The event was founded by our late and great Lord Andrew Philips and this year's event is being dedicated to his memory. Please come along and help support these organisations".

Sudbury on Show 2024

Sudbury Town Council are excited to be partnering with the team at Sudbury Arts Centre to bring this year's Sudbury on Show to this special venue, who re-opened their doors in autumn last year.

Sudbury Town Council's Business Manager, Rachel Price has led on the event's organisation this year and comments:

"Many of Sudbury's charitable and community organisations are struggling to find the voluntary support they once had. Their role in our community is immeasurable and it is vital these groups continue to survive and thrive, but we need you!

Sudbury on Show is a vital showcase of the work of these groups and a wonderful opportunity for residents to connect with local organisations. With over 50 diverse groups showcased this year – there really is something for everybody.



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Andrew Phillips truly championed Sudbury's unique community cohesion and it's important we keep the community glue good and sticky!"

Alli Burke, Head of Creative – Operations Manager, Sudbury Arts Centre comments:

"We are absolutely delighted to be working in collaboration with Sudbury Town Council to deliver a fabulous return of Sudbury on Show to Sudbury Arts Centre in St Peter's.

This is just one way we can support other local voluntary and charity organisations to shine a spotlight on the services they themselves bring to the local community and beyond. We can think of no better way to honour the memory of Andrew Phillips, who was the founder of Sudbury on Show and who was a true champion for the community".

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Notes to editors:

Sudbury on Show 2024 exhibitors:

A Rocha UK (Foxearth Meadows) **AFC Sudbury** Babergh (South Suffolk) Liberal Democrats **Babergh Oddfellows Churches Together in Sudbury and District Compassion Domestic Abuse Charity Cycle Club Sudbury Eden's Project** Essex & South Suffolk Community Rail Partnership **Friendship Dancers Gainsborough's House Good News for Everyone GoStart Community Transport** Home Start in Suffolk **Hospice Neighbours - St Nicholas Hospice Care** Hourglass **Kendall Counselling Kernos Centre** Oxfam





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Quakers **Quay School of Dance Quay Theatre River Stour Trust St John's Methodist Church Stour Valley Singers** Sudbury & South Suffolk Citizens Advice **Sudbury and District Royal British Legion Sudbury Choral Society Sudbury Common Lands Charity Sudbury Community Depot Sudbury Community Wardens** Sudbury and District Cricket Club Sudbury District Group Suffolk Family History society **Sudbury Dramatic Society** Sudbury Freemasons Lodges Sudbury Gainsborough WI Sudbury History Society Sudbury in Bloom Sudbury Library - part of Suffolk Libraries **Sudbury Model Railway Club** Sudbury Museum Trust **Sudbury Newstalk Sudbury Sporting Memories** Sudbury Team Defib Sudbury u3a **The Bridge Project The Christopher Centre The Salvation Army The Sudbury Society** TREAT Unity Croquet Club (Sudbury) Ltd West Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust 32yoga